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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEES, BOAT CASES AND THE AVA

REF: HONG KONG 8507 AND PREVIOUS

1. IN CONVERSATION ON SUBJECT TODAY, DEPUTY UNHCR EXPRESSED FAILURE TO UNDERSTAND STATEMENT OF BURMESE CONSUL GENERAL QUOTED PARA 2 EEF AS CONCERNS UNHCR. HE POINTED OUT, AS MISSION HAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, THAT UNHCR HAS REPEATEDLY ANNOUNCED ITS READINESS TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR CARE AND MAINTENANCE AND RESETTLEMENT EFFORTS AS SOON AS REFUGEES ARE LANDED HONG KONG. UNHCR STATES IT IS CONTINUING ITS INTERVENTIONS WITH U.K. AND HKG, MOST RECENTLY YESTERDAY, TO PERMIT AVA REFUGEES TO LAND.

2. BURMESE CHARGE FROM BERN CALLED ON DEPUTY UNHCR THIS MORNING TO ADVISE THAT AFTER UNLOADING AND REPROVISIONING
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IN HONG, AVA WOULD CONTINUE ITS VOYAGE TO JAPAN.

BASED ON THIS, AND ASSUMING HKG WILL NOT MEANWHILE GRANT LANDING AUTHORIZATION, HNHCR HAS INSTRUCTED ITS JAPANESE REPRESENTATIVE (SAITO) TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO RECEIVE AND CARE FOR REFUGEES, COORDINATING WITH CARITAS.

3. ISSUANCE OF INTERNATIONAL UNHCR APPEAL ON TREATMENT OF REFUGEES ON HIGH SEAS, (GENEVA 5673), DELAYED DUE TO ABSENCE OF HIGH COMMISSIONER, CURRENTLY IN ALGERIA ON MISSION. DALE

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